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WITH REFERENCE TO FOUR ALTERNATIVE PROPOSALS DISCUSSED BY
TELEPHONE YESTERDAY, DEPARTMENT SEES NO OBJECTION, ON
BASIS OF TREATY AND DISCUSSIONS WITH CANADIANS, TO SECOND
PROPOSAL (ESTABLISHING TREATY-INDIAN-ONLY DAY WITHIN
FISHING DAYS ALLOCATED BY COMMISSION). ON BASIS OF BRIEF
DISCUSSION WITH CANADIANS, DEPARTMENT SEES NO OBJECTION
IN PRINCIPLE TO ALTERNATIVE THREE (INDIAN GEAR USE FLEXI-
BILITY) ALTHOUGH PROPOSAL MIGHT REQUIRE SOME TECHNICAL
CHANGES IN COMMISSION'S REGULATIONS. DEPARTMENT SEES NO
LEGAL OBJECTION TO ALTERNATIVE NUMBER FOUR (SHUTTING
DOWN FISHERY). HOWEVER, WE BELIEVE USE OF THIS ALTERNATIVE
WOULD FRUSTRATE THE OBJECT AND SPIRIT OF THE CONVENTION AND
WOULD PROVE HARMFUL IN PRACTICE IN OUR RELATIONS WITH THE
COMMISSION AND THE CANADIANS. DEPARTMENT SEES STRONG
OBJECTION TO ALTERNATIVE NUMBER ONE (GIVING EXTRA DAYS,
OUTSIDE THOSE PERMITTED BY COMMISSION) UNLESS IT SPECIFI-
CALLY APPROVED BY COMMISSION, WHICH HISTORY OF COMMISSION
DISCUSSIONS AND US-CANADINA GOVERNMENT DISCUSSIONS CLEARLY
DEMONSTRATE IT WILL NOT REPEAT NOT DO. SIGNED: WILLIAM L.
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